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Sir,

On 6th instant Colonel Lieu Ching Sung ^{黎慶昇} arrived here by train from the North. He was accompanied by his secretary, Liang Tsing Woo ^{梁振武} and two orderlies named Sung Tuh San ^{孫德善} and Lieu Kwaung Yoong ^{黎光永}. On arriving at the S.N.R. Station the party hired a carriage and ordered the mafoo to drive to the Arsenal. A dispute arose about the fare on the way thither, and the mafoo took them to the Louza Station where he complained that Colonel Lieu had threatened him with a revolver. The Colonel and his followers were searched in the Charge Room. One small and two large mauser pistols, as well as a considerable quantity of ammunition were found in their possession. They also had a military pass from the General of Fengtien authorising them to carry 20 revolvers and 3,000 rounds of ammunition. As a result of inquiries, the men were escorted to the boundary and released.

With reference to the above it appears that Colonel Lieu and his staff after reporting their arrival to the Arsenal Authorities, went to reside at No. 101 Nyung Kong Li West Gate, and are still staying there. They have come here on a secret mission, the true nature of which nobody seems to know. They are only responsible to the Central Government and are independent of the local authorities. At first it was rumoured that Colonel Lieu had come here to watch General Yang, as the latter was suspected of being disloyal, but it is now reported that Colonel Lieu is the local Chief of a Corps which was recently organised for the purpose of assassinating rebels. Colonel Lieu has been absent from Shanghai for some days but it is believed that he is not far away. It is said that he has appointed one of his officers to take charge at No. 101 Nyung Kong Li during his absence. Some twenty persons frequent this house. They are all reported to be assassins who are employed to kill those who are opposed to Yuan Shih Kai.

It is reported that a code telegram was received at the Arsenal yesterday from the Central Government saying that many officials had secretly left Peking since the rebellion started in Yunnan. The telegram instructed the Arsenal Authorities to send detectives to watch the various wharves and railway stations and arrest any of the runaways whom they saw arriving.

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The Arsenal has started working day and night since the trouble broke out in Yunnan and the number of operatives has been increased from four hundred to six hundred.

Mr. Zee Koh Liang ~~徐科良~~ Chief of the Shanghai Woosung Police entertained the City gentry to tiffin yesterday and requested them to use their influence to induce the merchants and shopkeepers to change to the new monarchical calendar.

General Lieu Deputy Commissioner of Defence, has ordered 5,000 pairs of boots which have to be completed before the Chinese new year.

Colonel Zau Li Wong ~~蔡利翁~~ Staff Officer to General Yang visited the German Consulate about 11 a.m. 27th instant.

Your Obedient Servant,

William Armstrong

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.

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